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Sir:

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1. Japanese Laid-open Patent No. H10-225462, dated August 25, 1998;
2. Japanese Laid-open Patent No. H8-98845, dated April 16, 1996;
3. U.S. Patent No. 6,436,096B1, dated 08-2002, issued to Hareyama, Norihiko;

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4. U.S. Patent No. 6,306,131B1, dated 10-2001, issued to Hareyama, et al;
5. U.S. Patent No. 6,210,403B1, dated 04-2001, issued to Kliceck, Michael S.;
6. U.S. Patent No. 6,203,541B1, dated 03-2001, issued to Keppel, David;
7. U.S. Patent No. 6,183,468B1, dated 02-2001, issued to Swanson, et al;
8. U.S. Patent No. 6,033,399, dated 03-2000, issued to Gines, David Lee;
9. U.S. Patent No. 5,931,836, dated 08-1999, issued to Hatta, et al;
10. U.S. Patent No. 5,720,744, dated 02-1998, issued to Eggleston, et al;
11. U.S. Patent No. 5,558,671, dated 09-1996, issued to Yates, David C.;
12. U.S. Patent No. 5,496,312, dated 03-1996, issued to Kliceck, Michael S.;
13. U.S. Patent No. 5,456,682, dated 10-1995, issued to Edwards, et al;
14. U.S. Patent No. 5,437,662, dated 08-1995, issued to Nardella;
15. U.S. Patent No. 4,727,874, dated 03-1998, issued to Bowers, et al;
16. U.S. Patent No. 4,658,819, dated 04-1987, issued to Harris, et al;
17. U.S. Patent No. 4,094,320, dated 06-1978, issued to Newton, et al;
18. Japanese Laid-open Patent No. 08196543A, dated August, 1996 issued to Yates, D C;
19. German Laid-open Patent No. 4233467A1, dated April, 1994 issued to Fuezes, Ivan Dr Dipling;
20. German Laid-open Patent No. 3904558A1, dated August, 1990 issued to Fastenmeie, K, et al;

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Consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement is respectfully requested.

Inasmuch as this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in accordance with the schedule set out in 37 C.F.R §1.97(b), no statement or fee is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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		4233467A1	4/94	Germany				
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